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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Highway Administration

Notice of Final Federal Agency Actions on Proposed Highway in California

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT

ACTION: Notice of Limitation on Claims for Judicial Review of Actions by the

California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), pursuant to 23 USC 327.

SUMMARY: The FHWA, on behalf of Caltrans, is issuing this notice to announce

actions taken by Caltrans that are final. The actions relate to a proposed highway

project, where the project limits extend approximately 2 miles north of SR-91

along I-15, approximately 2 miles west of I-15 along SR-91 and approximately

0.5 mile east of I-15 along SR-91 to Prominade Avenue in the County of

Riverside, State of California. A new Variable Toll Message Sign (VTMS) is

proposed along eastbound SR 91, just west of the Orange/Riverside County line.

Those actions grant licenses, permits, and approvals for the project.

DATES: By this notice, the FHWA, on behalf of Caltrans, is advising the public of

final agency actions subject to 23 U.S.C. §139(I)(1). A claim seeking judicial

review of the Federal agency actions on the highway project will be barred unless

the claim is filed on or before [Insert date 150 days after publication in the

Federal Register]. If the Federal law that authorizes judicial review of a claim

provides a time period of less than 150 days for filing such claim, then that

shorter time period still applies.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For Caltrans: Shawn Oriaz, Senior Environmental Planner, Caltrans District 8; 464 W 4th St, MS-827, San Bernardino, CA 92401-1400, 8:00am-4:00pm; (909) 388-7034; shawn.oriaz@dot.ca.gov. For FHWA, contact David Tedrick at (916) 498-5024, or email david.tedrick@dot.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Effective July 1, 2007, the FHWA assigned, and Caltrans assumed, environmental responsibilities for this project pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 327. Notice is hereby given that Caltrans has taken final agency actions subject to 23 U.S.C. 139(I)(1) by issuing licenses, permits, and approvals for the following highway project in the State of California: Construct a tolled express lane connector from eastbound SR 91 Express Lanes to northbound I-15 Express Lanes and a connector from southbound I-15 Express Lanes to westbound SR 91 Express Lanes. The project will also extend the SR 91 eastbound Express Lane to approximately ½ mile east of the I-15/SR 91 interchanges and widen eastbound SR 91 to accommodate extending the #4 General Purpose lane from the SR 91 bridge over Arlington Channel to east of Promenade Avenue. Outside widening is proposed along northbound I-15 in the vicinity of Hidden Valley Parkway interchange to accommodate the new express lane connectors. Finally, a new VTMS is proposed along eastbound SR 91, just west of the Orange/Riverside County line.

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The actions by the Federal agencies, and the laws under which such actions were taken, are described in the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS)

approved on August 10, 2012, in the Revalidation was completed to address design changes and update the project review approved on June 14, 2019, the Record of Decision (ROD) for the project approved on June 14, 2019, and in other documents in the FHWA project records. The FEIS, Revalidation, ROD, and other project records are available by contacting Caltrans at the address provided above. The Caltrans FEIS, Revalidation, and ROD can also be viewed and downloaded from the project web site at https://www.rctc.org/15-91-express-lanes-connector/.

This notice applies to all Federal agency decisions as of the issuance date of this notice and all laws under which such actions were taken, including but not limited to:

- 1. EO 12372, Intergovernmental Review;
- 2. EO 11990, Protection of Wetlands;
- EO 12088, Pollution Control Standards;
- 4. EO 13112, Invasive Species;
- 5. EO 11988, Floodplain Management;
- 6. Council on Environmental Quality regulations;
- 7. National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA);
- 8. Department of Transportation Act of 1996;
- 9. Federal Aid Highway Act of 1970;
- 10. Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990;

- 11. Department of Transportation Act of 1966; Section 4 (f);
- 12. Clean Water Act of 1977 and 1987;
- 13. Endangered Species Act of 1973;
- 14. Migratory Bird Treaty Act;
- 15. National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended; and
- 16. Historic Sites Act of 1935.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Number 20.205, Highway Planning and Construction. The regulations implementing Executive Order 12372 regarding intergovernmental consultation on Federal programs and activities apply to this program.)

Authority: 23 U.S.C. §139(1)(1)

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